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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Xie et al.  
Serial No. : 09/617,736  
Filed : July 17, 2000  
Title : FIBER OPTICAL PIGTAIL GEOMETRY FOR IMPROVED EXTINCTION  
RATIO OF POLARIZATION MAINTAINING FIBERS

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Examiner : Kevin Wood

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Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

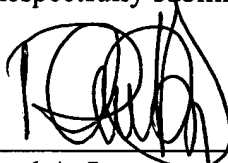
Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicants hereby petition that the period for response to the action dated November 4, 2002, be extended for one month to and including March 4, 2003.

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